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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

S. T. Achenbach, Minister
Thursday, April 3, 8 o'clock: Meeting of the Ladies' Aid with Mrs. John Philbrook.
Sunday, April 6:
10:45: Worship. Lenten sermon.
12:00: Church School.
7:15: Meeting for the hearing of the reports of the delegates to the Y. M. C. A. Boys' Conference at Augusta. Speakers: Garard James, William Chapman, Charles Austin, Willard Bean, Taylor Clough.
Tuesday, April 8, 7:30: Lenten service at the Methodist Church.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Walter W. Wolfe, Minister
Church Calendar, Sunday, April 6:
10:45 A. M.: Devotional service. Sermon topic, "Doubting Thomas."
12:00 Noon: Sunday School service. Children's story sermon. Adult Bible class conducted by the minister. Lesson theme, "The Children of the Rich."
7:15 P. M.: Monthly Candle Light Service conducted by the Y. P. C. U., service of inspiration and beauty. Our friends of the Methodist Church will unite with us in this service.
Organ Prelude
Processional, "Onward Christian Soldiers"
Call to Worship, Charles Swan
Lord's Prayer
Organ Prelude
Chorus
Reading from the Persian Scriptures, Pearl Sampson
Duet,
Dorothy Goodnow, Mrs. Doris Bryant
Solo
Old Testament Reading, Freeland Clark
Chorus
New Testament Reading
Prayer by the Minister
Solo,
Ruth Hastings
Offertory
Sermon Talk, Rev. Mr. Oliver
Solo,
Benediction,
Rev. Mr. Oliver
April 3, 7:00 P. M. Social meeting of the Alpha Zeta Class at the home of Miss Pearl Sampson.

METHODIST CHURCH

C. B. Oliver, Minister
Rev. Chester B. Oliver, Pastor
Sunday, April 6:
Morning worship, 10:45. The last Sunday of the Conference year. Special music. Sermon by the pastor.
The Sunday School begins at 10 o'clock. There were good reports last Sunday from the Young People's Conference.
Epworth League 6:30 to 7:30. Leader for Sunday, Ermine Tyler. Subject, "Christ Fulfilling His Father's Commission, In His Words."
Evening worship with the Universalist people at 7:30. Candle-light service. See special program under Universalist notes. Subject of the evening message will be, "The Captain of the Ship."
The Union Lenten service for Tuesday, April 8, will be at the Methodist church. Rev. S. T. Achenbach will preach.
Notice for this week:
On Thursday P. M., the Ladies' Aid meets with Mrs. Constance Wheeler. The men are watching the attendance and interest of this organization to the extent of sending a delegate to report.

LOCKE'S MILLS

C. B. Oliver, Minister
Church School, 1:30-2:30.
Church worship, 2:30-3:30.
There will be a brief business meeting at the close of the worship period on Sunday.
The annual conference meets at Portland, Maine, April 7-13.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Spring Street
Sunday School at 10:00 A. M.
Sunday services at 10:15 A. M.

SCHOOL NOTES

WEST BETHEL GRAMMAR
These are absent one half day during the winter term of twelve weeks as follows: Josephine Lowell, Margaret Kennedy, Mildred Bennett, Ruby Bennett, Beulah Harris, Anna Brooks, Clarence Wells, Robert Jordan and Robert Mason.

SCOUT NOTES

Scouts—Registration Week.
On Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock all Scouts met at Fredland Clark's. We expect every Scout to his duty. Meet us on Thursday evening at Scout Fredland Clark's on Main Street.

Mr. Robert Farrell, who has been several days at his home in town, has returned to his duties at Bethel.

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

IN CONTEMPT OF THE SENATE

A bold defiance of the powers of Congress was brought about by the refusal of Harry P. Sinclair, the "principal" in the Teapot Dome affair, to answer questions put to him by the oil investigating committee. As is well known, the Senate has held him in contempt, there being but one Senator to vote against certifying the matter to the courts. Before Sinclair was put on the stand, his attorney occupied a whole morning in explaining to the Senate committee the position of his client in challenging the rights of the committee, and then the committee took the matter under advisement until the following day before putting Sinclair on the stand. Thus it is clear that the contempt was not occasioned by a clash of temperament between examiners and the witness; but on the contrary the refusal was deliberate, and intended as a bold challenge to the Senate.

Of course Sinclair has only added to his unpopularity in the Teapot Dome scandal, but it is his "teapot" and not his reputation that he is fighting for in this instance. The Washington Post, in commenting on the issue raised in behalf of Sinclair, says that "the reports of court decisions on matters of this sort are enlighteningly short. In the few instances in which the question of Congressional investigative power has been raised, the courts have avoided commitment as to the real issues." Evidently having in mind the recent Supreme Court decision curtailing the powers of investigations of the Federal Trade Commission, the Post asks: "Has Congress the power to constitute itself a general grand jury in investigation of all things under the sun and moon? Has it authority to send committees on 'fishing' expeditions and to clothe them with power to place any and all on the stand?"

The Post management, needless to say, is sympathetic with the position taken by Sinclair in refusing to testify. It is the paper that is owned by Edward B. McLean. Nevertheless the Post editorial is a strong one in stating the case against "fishing expeditions." If the questions raised by Sinclair are really germane to the conduct of legislative inquiries, then not only Congress, but the legislatures of the states will be affected, because a victory in the courts for Sinclair would make it impossible for legislative bodies to proceed with investigations into the merits of any subject along the lines that have been recognized and practiced since the Government was given to us by our fathers. The principle involved is of tremendous importance. The Senate evidently thinks Sinclair is in such a hole that he is like the proverbial drowning man grabbing for a straw. But there are a few able lawyers who are inclined to believe that there may be a good deal more than that to the Sinclair claim.

On the other hand an outraged public cannot forget the fact that the persistent of the Senate investigation—and nothing else, has uncovered the oil robbery, and has brought the oil robbers to the open. Had it not been for the Senate oil investigation these men running around with black bags filled with greenbacks, would never have been uncovered. And that is a pretty good thing to remember as the agitation increases to the effect that the Senate is "wasting its time." The Senate oil committee contains in its personnel, a majority of republicans and a minority of democrats, and whoever else there may be "playing politics," it can hardly be said that these earnest Senators who are doing the investigating are parties to any such subterfuge.

PUBLIC MEN AND POLITICS

There was a "stag party" one night in Washington, and part of the entertainment was a private exhibition of moving pictures. The highest officials of the Government were there. The subject of the little gathering showed that the best had arranged to have a prize fight fixed. The guests didn't know it beforehand, but they didn't ask for the hats and coats either.

Every well-equipped city has stock and bond brokers in order that readers who follow the markets in the best regulated newspapers can buy and sell securities. "Everybody do it," said the colored man. "If they has the money." Then why should politics were men into dealers that they had a few shares of stock in their safely deposit boxes? The day in the Senate attention was called to the fact that a member was violating the rules by smoking. The offending Senator threw aside his cigar, and remarked in an undertone: "First you people prohibited drinking, and now you draw the line on smoking. Tell me, please, what do you expect to leave for?"

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CHANGE IN DATE OF OPERETTA

The Operetta entitled, "The Isle of Chance," successfully presented by the Y. W. C. A. of Gould's Academy two weeks ago will be repeated at William Bingham Gymnasium on Thursday evening, April 3. The proceeds will be used for the purchase of reference books for the Academy library.

This entertainment was scheduled for Friday evening, Apr. 4, but was changed to April 3 on account of another entertainment being advertised for April 4.

SNOW FALL AT WEST BETHEL THE PAST WINTER

Report of the snow storms as kept by Charles Melnick of West Bethel were as follows:
Nov. 23, 3 inches.
Dec. 3, 2 inches; 11, 4 inches; 16, 1 inch; 21, 2 inches; 25, 2 inches; 28, 12 inches; 31, 1 inch.
Jan. 3, 3 inches; 5, 10 inches; 11, 2 inches; 25, 8 inches.
Feb. 5, 3 inches; 4, 1-2 inches; 5, 1-2 inches; 6, 1 inch; 10, 1 inch; 20, 11 inches.
Mar. 5, 2 inches; 7, 2 inches.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The special committee to arrange for the April 11 program is as follows: Miss Carrie Wright, Mrs. Agnes Twaddle, Rev. C. B. Oliver. Miss Florence Hale will be the speaker.

NORTH NEWRY

The Misses Ella and Amy Hanscom went to South Paris, Thursday.
Dan Forbes went to Bethel, Saturday night. He is working for W. B. Wright & Sons.
Jesse Chapman and Leslie Corbett are working in the J. P. Skillings mill at Newry and are hearing of Harvey Allen's.
Ole Olson has bought a new pair of horses.
Charles Tidwell and Lester Lane of Upton were in town, Sunday. They bought two cows of Ole Olson.
Carrie Wright returned to Bethel, Monday.
Mrs. Lester Walker of Grafton was calling on relatives here Saturday.
L. E. Wright is attending court at Portland this week.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Ella R. Brown celebrated her 62nd birthday, Wednesday, Mar. 26th. Mrs. W. B. Wright and Miss Carrie Wright were guests for the afternoon, and a very pleasant time enjoyed. Mrs. Brown received many birthday cards and letters also a lovely "angel cake" from her son, P. O. Briant, and family. Her daughter, Mrs. Pearl Rulphore, served refreshments of ice cream, wafers and cake and fancy cookies.

Mrs. Brown is an exceptionally smart woman for her age and a great hand to write original rhymes and poetry. Being asked by the lecturer to write an original rhyme using the word Grange she composed the following:
G is for grapes, more of which we all need,
And surely must have if we wish to succeed.
It is far right, which will surely prevail,
If we work with our might and never say fail.
A is the axes that we have to grind
When things come up, we just go and grind.
N is the nicknacks which we have to eat,
Furnished by the ladies when asked for a treat.
G is the grapes which the Grange us parts,
And drives all the snakes out of our hearts.
E stands for everything that is good,
If we only live up to our vows as we should.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this opportunity of extending our grateful appreciation of the many expressions of sympathy from our friends in our recent bereavement. The flowers and neighborly acts of kindness helped to lighten our load of sorrow.

Mrs. A. R. Farrell,
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Sherwood,
Mrs. Lena E. Wright,
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Philbrick,
Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Farrell,
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Burt,
Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cummings,
Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Farrell.

Friends will be pleased to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kirtbridge of Portland, N. H., are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a free grand daughter in their home March 26th.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. Rooney of Gorham, N. H., was in town one day last week.

Mr. E. P. Blakes has sold his Ford sedan to Mr. Clifford Rand.

Mrs. Robert Clough is caring for Mrs. Calvin Cummings in Albany.

Mr. J. M. Fraser is spending some time in town with L. W. Morse.

Mrs. W. J. Upson and her sister who is her guest were in Portland, Friday.

Mr. Marshall Hastings recently presented his daughter, Ruth, with a Ford coupe.

Mrs. Gibbs of North Paris is the guest of her son, A. H. Gibbs, and family.

Mrs. Alma Mitchell, who is staying in Bangor, was in town, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Bert Bennett and little daughter, Jane, have returned to their home in Gilead.

Mrs. P. C. Andrews has returned home from Albany where she has been visiting her sister.

Master John Pollock of Boston, Mass., is visiting at the home of his aunt, Mrs. H. A. Packard.

Mr. Arthur D. Forbes and Miss Lola Chandler were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Forbes.

Mr. Owen Demeritt and daughter, Louise, spent a few days in camp at Ketchikan, recently.

Mrs. Mark Lapham and daughter, Sylvia, of Locke's Mills were guests of relatives in town, Friday.

Mrs. H. L. Bean and little daughter, Muriel Edwina, returned to their home on Spring Street, Saturday.

Mrs. W. G. Emery and daughter, Elizabeth, are spending a few days at their home on Sunday River.

Mrs. Potter from Richmond, spent Friday with her daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Hall.

Mr. J. S. Hutchins, who has been confined to his home by illness the past week, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Carrie Aron spent a few days in Berlin, Milan and Dunbar, N. H., last week as the guest of relatives.

Miss Mary Chapman is moving into the rent in the house occupied by Harlan Wheeler on Church Street.

Misses Wilma and Marguerite Hall are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Buck, on Swan's Hill.

Mrs. Joane Bennett has returned from Colebrook, N. H., and is assisting Mrs. Levi Brown with her housework.

Mr. W. C. Bryant has made improvements in his store by the addition of two new silent salesman showcases.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Demeritt and grandson, Alton, were guests of their daughter at Randolph, N. H., last week.

Mrs. M. A. Gordin is at her home on Church Street. Mr. Adeline Stearns is spending a few days at the Gordin home.

Don't forget the masquerade ball at the Grange Hall, Friday evening of this week. Come in rags and tags but not in velvet gowns.

Mrs. Harriet Tuxill has returned from Bangor and Lewiston where she has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tuxill and Mrs. O. A. Brown.

Many of our readers will be interested to know that the Glen House at the foot of Mt. Washington was burned to the ground one night last week.

Something out of the ordinary—thunder and lightning and a snow storm all at the same time. This happened Sunday morning at half past six.

Mrs. B. A. Sherwood of Salem, Mass., Mrs. Lena Wright of Bangor, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Philbrick of Mountain View, Mr. Wallace Farrell of Lewiston, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cummings of Bangor, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farrell of Bangor and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Burt of Middle Intervale were in town to attend the funeral of their father, William Farrell, last Friday.

MINSTREL SHOW

The Moonlight Cabaret Minstrel show given by members and friends for the benefit of the George A. Mundt Post was a success in all ways.

The idea of the cabaret was a new and unique one in the history of minstrel shows, and the singing guests and waiters was a pleasing innovation.

The local quips were many and of all styles of humor and otherwise.

The local radio demonstration afforded a clever "take-off" on our local fans as well as a timely exhibition of some of our best local talent. The instigators of this original scheme deserve credit for a large share of the success of the whole.

The singing was good and greatly enjoyed and applauded by the crowded house that testified to the loyalty of the townspeople to a laudable cause.

The Post Commander and Committee in charge to wish to express special thanks to the following people who by their generous aid, and contribution of their time and talent, made possible the pleasant and profitable venture: Mrs. Emma Young, Mr. Garey, Mr. Moore, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Hall and Mrs. Eugene Vandenberg.

Miss Ruth Billings spent the week end in Lewiston.

Mr. E. H. Smith was in Portland on business, Monday.

Miss Doris Simonds has completed her duties at Maple Inn.

Mr. Dana Hall is able to walk around with a little assistance.

Mrs. Mattie Clark has been having the prevailing grip cold.

Gould's Academy opened Tuesday after a two days vacation.

Mrs. W. C. Bryant is confined to her home on Summer Street by illness.

Mrs. A. L. Bryant of Foxcroft is the guest of her sister, Mrs. William Farwell.

Misses Betty and Pauline Browne were recent guests of Miss Ruth Bennett.

Mrs. Irving French of Newry spent a few days with Mrs. C. K. Fox last week.

Matron Dean, Esq., of Boston, Mass., was the week end guest of friends in town.

Mr. Richard Vertille is home for the Easter recess with his parents on Mechanic Street.

About eight inches of snow has fallen today (Wednesday) up to the time of going to press.

Mrs. Beattie Sloane spent the week end in Lewiston, the guest of her son, Roger T. Sloane.

Miss Dorothy Parsons was the week end guest of her cousin, Miss Eleanor Lyon, on Grover Hill.

Miss Ruth Crosby of Arlington, Mass., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Earl Williamson, and family.

Mrs. Fred Wheeler and baby of Berlin were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Laxton the first of the week.

Schools closed in the village last Friday and the teachers have gone to their homes for a two weeks vacation.

Miss Mildred Bartlett is spending her vacation with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Roger T. Sloane, of Lewiston.

Mr. Patrick O'Brien returned to his duties at Bethel Inn the first of the week after enjoying a two weeks vacation in Boston, Mass., and Nashua, N. H.

Miss Mary Bowler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bowler, formerly of Bethel, won the first prize in the prize speaking contest at Portland High School last Friday evening.

Mr. Luther E. Morse of Lewiston and Miss Lillian E. Morse of Walnut Hill, Mass., came Saturday as guests of their aunt, Edith L. Morse. Miss Lillian will remain for the week, her brother returned to Lewiston, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ernest Buck is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. William Farwell during the absence of Mrs. Lena Wright, who has gone to her home in Bangor to get a few things as she will make her home with her mother, Mrs. Farwell.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

The following program was given by pupils and teachers, Clara S. Mason, Grammar, and Katherine M. Brown, Primary, of the West Bethel school, at the Grange Hall, Thursday evening, March 27, to mark the closing of the winter term.

Flag song, Upper Grades
Recitation, "Lincoln,"
George Westleigh
Recitation, "Pussy Willows,"
Kathryn Lowell
"Washington Monument,"
Four Boys and Girls
Recitation, "Like Washington,"
Junior Jordan
Recitation, "A Few Don't's,"
Roger Whigler
Song, "Whip-Poor-Will,"
Lower Grades
Recitation, "Time,"
Easter Burris
Recitation, "Mr. Sun,"
Robert Kessell
Recitation, "The Sick Boy,"
Ernest Westleigh
Good English Song,
Upper Grades
Dialogue, "Lincoln,"
Five Boys and Girls
Recitation, "Valentines,"
Robert Jordan
Piano duet, Hazel and Frederick Grover
Drill,
Six Girls
Concert reading,
Upper Grades
Recitation,
Eugene Cushing
Almon Jordan
Song, "Geo. Washington,"
Three Boys
Recitation,
Donald Laxton
Procession of the Flowers, Eight Girls
Recitation,
Albert Wheeler
Composition, "St. Patrick,"
Alton Laxton
Piano solo,
Josephine Lowell
Safety First Drill,
Ten Pupils
Song, "St. Patrick,"
Six Girls
Recitation, "Spring,"
Wilma Martin
Song, "Lily Bug,"
Primary Grades
Recitation, "Edison,"
Wallace Kessell
Greeting to the Birds,
Seven Boys and Girls
Patriotic Cantata,
Primary Grades
After the program, music was furnished by the Grange orchestra and the children played games until all were called to the beautiful supper of sandwiches, cake and hot coffee, which was prepared through the willing efforts of the mothers.
The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

Miss Katherine Kendrick, who has been the guest of her mother and aunt, returned to her school in Barton, Vt., Monday.

Mr. Howard Tyler has resumed his duties at the store of C. K. Fox after being confined to his home by illness for several days.

Miss Muriel Park was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Killborn at the Lafayette Hotel in Portland, Friday and Saturday of last week.

Don't forget the Operetta to be given at the William Bingham Gymnasium on Thursday, April 3. Notice the change of date from April 4 to April 3.

Mr. Clarence Philbrick returned to school in Vermont, Tuesday, after spending a short vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Philbrick.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Mackie are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a son on Thursday, March 27. Mrs. D. H. Spearin is caring for mother and son.

Mrs. J. C. Billings entertained the Ladies' Club last Thursday. An interesting program was given, the subject being "Immigration," and Miss Whitehead kindly rendered several piano solos which were greatly appreciated.

Friends of Mr. Rodney Bartlett will be pleased to know that he was chosen as one of the pitchers on the varsity baseball team of Bowdoin College, thus enabling him as a Freshman to accompany the team on their southern trip.

Mr. R. W. Kimball was over week end guest of his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Howe, and family.

Mrs. N. R. Rich and daughter, Miss Jennie Rich, of Berlin, N. H., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bean and other relatives here.

Mr. Clifton Dean of Bangor was over week end guest of Mrs. Carrie Bartlett and family.

Mr. C. J. Parkman of Bryant's Pond was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Hastings.

Mr. R. L. Brown is saving his wood by engine power.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brown were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brown.

Locke's Mills.

ASKED AND ANSWERED

ANNOUNCEMENT
This is a big new feature in The Oxford County Citizen. Send in your questions, and address them to U. B. Press Association, Continental Trust Building, Washington, D. C. Random two cents in stamps for reply. Do not include medical, legal, courtship and marital questions, or expect attention to matters requiring extensive research. Mention the paper when you write.

Q. Who was the author of "Silent Thunder, Among the Gods"? I have recently seen credit given to Hart P. Danks and Allen R. Bedford.
This famous song was written by Mr. Bedford, of Bethel, Wisconsin. Perhaps the confusion of authorship is due to the fact that Mr. Danks wrote the words to the words.

Q. What is the status of a naturalized American citizen?
When any naturalized citizen shall have resided for two years in the foreign state from which he came, or for five years in any other foreign state, it is presumed that he has ceased to be an American citizen. If such a naturalized American desires to maintain his residence in the United States the obligation is upon him to present satisfactory evidence that he is but temporarily away from the United States. Under such circumstances the Department of State may, under its rules and regulations, permit him to retain his citizenship in our country. No American citizen is allowed to expatriate himself when this country is at war.

Q. I would like to know the cause of the particularly when the sun and moon are in conjunction or opposition.
The ultimate cause and falling of the surface of the ocean and bodies of water connected with the ocean, occurring twice in each lunar day is connected by the attraction of the sun and moon. When the sun and moon are in conjunction or opposition the tide raising effect is necessarily high, when the moon is at first or third quarter the high tide (neap tide) is smaller than usual.

Q. What is meant by the British system?
It is a method devised for the classification of elements by Dr. Alfred Russell Wallace in 1855. By this system exact measurements of various parts of the body, head and limbs, are made. Measurements on the hand were made by people exactly alike, the British test is absolute. The point of the thumb, with the wrist of the right arm bent, is used to measure the length of the thumb, and again the thumb is used to measure the length of the index finger on the right hand in the same way.

Q. How did the Bay of Fundy originate?
This organization was founded in 1898, by Mr. R. B. Haden, Bethel, to promote good citizenship by creating in boys a spirit of civic duty and to induce them to be citizens. It is claimed, however, that the Bay originated with Ben Thompson, Bethel, of Connecticut, about ten years previous to the Haden-Fund movement. Mr. Haden organized his idea in a local way and his boys were called "The Haden Indians." They used a large and well wooded estate in Connecticut in their training in the arts of wood craft, similar to the practice of American Indians. Other customs such as following a trail, canoeing, jumping out, etc., were practiced by them.

Q. Who was guilty of originating the custom of carrying pistols?
Without attempting to settle the personality of "Gull" it appears that a Pennsylvania hunter, apparently placed near in time in 1600. While there has been considerable dispute as to the method, nevertheless the custom of carrying pistols is said to have originated from that time.

Q. What kind of an animal is a hell hound?
According to our friend Webster it is "a dog of hell; hence, a fiend."

Q. While on the subject indicated by the foregoing question please give the location of Hell Gate?
Residents of New York City would doubtless recall the suggestion that Hell Gate is on the "lower line." Hell Gate was formerly a dangerous strait connecting New York Bay with Long Island Sound. It was filled with rocks that formed an obstruction much dreaded by mariners, but by extensive submarine mining operations and the use of the most powerful explosives, the passage was practically cleared. The work upon this was first in charge of John Newton, who as early as 1874 planned the removal of the obstructions in the strait.

Q. Where was the first communication between Japan and the United States?
The first date is July 27, 1853.

Q. What was the song "Merrill, My Merrill" a song?
To a famous song has been called the "Merrill of the Confederation" song. The history of James Merrill, Bethel, states that he wrote the song in April, 1861, when he was living in Bethel. He thought that his native town of Merrill was a very strong place to open from the fact at night and with great results were the fact song. If the history is correct Merrill was certainly related to a good camp for the remainder of the night because the words and tone are identical. The State of Michigan has placed the Merrill song.

Q. What is the length of life of a dollar bill?
It has always been impossible to do "business" here for a dollar bill, but the average life of a paper dollar has been determined by the United States Treasury as six months.

Q. What are the government's chief monetary revenue sources?
More than half of the ordinary revenue of the government is derived from one of its sources, consisting of the stamp of the stamp and duty. The

also as having among us the face of law. Common law is the basis of jurisprudence of all States, and has not been modified by statutory provisions.

Q. Was Miles Standish a civilian or a soldier?
In the main he was a soldier. He fought as an English captain in the Netherlands against the Spanish conquerors. He came to Plymouth with the Pilgrims on board the Mayflower, and became the military head of the Colony, as well as its treasurer and counselor. Miles Standish seems to have made good in every capacity until he sought the hand of Priscilla, and the aid of John Alden.

Q. What is pot luck?
Sometimes it is good and sometimes it is bad, but strictly speaking it is "luck or chance as to what may be in the pot, or may be provided for a meal." It is food on hand without extra preparation.

Q. What letters in the alphabet are most used, and what initials for names are most common?
In general use the e, t, and n, are most frequent. The letter e is the only one in the alphabet that is given a specially large box in the printer's case. As initials, "e," "t," and "n" are most in evidence.

Q. What is meant by the old term "Common Heath, or Heather?"
It is the plant whose flowers render the slopes of most Scottish hills pink in autumn, and the one so abundant in Epping Forest. It is a genus of plants and the term of description is botanic and British.

Q. How often is the census taken, and why the reference to it as the "decennial census?"
The definition for decennial is that which "happens every ten years." Certain phases of the census are covered at that period, including population, agriculture, mines and mining, and forest products. Besides the census the Bureau takes dramatic statistics on wealth, public debt, taxation, and principal financial statistics on federal, state, county, city and township governments. The decennial statistics are also secured relating to families in institutions, including paupers, insane, prisoners, and juvenile delinquents.

Q. What is the significance of quinine as a medium of weight?
It is a hundred weight, used in different countries. The old French quinine was composed of about 100 pounds according to the modern quinine is approximately 225 pounds avoirdupois.

Q. How is the word "Proton" used in French?
It is the preterite of the verb of "proton" of iron red granule of potash, and is "made in America."

Q. Will you please tell me how to compute the cost of linotype composition and want to check my printer on it.
If your printer deserves your patronage he does not need checking, but in order to satisfy yourself ask him for the use of his Hamilton type gauge. Any printer's supply house will doubtless furnish you one of these gauges free of cost.

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PURITY CHAPTER, No. 102, O. E. S., meets in Masonic Hall the first Wednesday evening of each month. Mrs. Elizabeth Garay, W. M.; Mrs. Pearl Tibbets, Secretary.

MT. ABRAM LODGE, No. 31, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall every Friday evening. D. M. Forbes, N. G.; A. G. Brinck, Secretary.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, No. 64, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Monday evenings of each month. Mrs. Emily Forbes, N. G.; Mrs. Anna French, Secretary.

SEEDBURY LODGE, No. 22, K. of P., meets in Grange Hall every Tuesday evening. Kenneth Melnick, C. C. John Harrington, K. of R. and S.

NACOMI TEMPLE, No. 68, PYTHIAN SISTERS, meets the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month at Grange Hall. Mrs. Heister K. Sanborn, M. E. C. Mrs. Minnie Bennett, M. of R. and C.

BROWN POST, No. 41, O. A. B., meets at Odd Fellows' Hall the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Mrs. Martha Kendall, President; Mrs. Eva Hastings, Secretary.

GEORGE A. MUNDT POST, No. 81, AMERICAN LEGION, meets the first Tuesday of each month in its rooms. Albert Grover, Commander; Lloyd Loxton, Adjutant.

BETHEL ORANGE, No. 56, P. of H., meets in their hall the first and third Thursday evenings of each month. F. E. Russell, M.; Mrs. Eva Hastings, Secretary.

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Buckfield was a guest of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Crockett, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. King Bartlett were in South Paris Saturday.

Mrs. Ernest Cole was taken to the C. M. G. Hospital Wednesday for an operation for appendicitis.

Autos are beginning to appear on the roads from Bethel and Bryant's Pond.

UNITED STATES CASUALTY COMPANY

80 Maiden Lane, New York, N. Y.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
Mortgage Loans, \$ 507,100.00
Stocks and Bonds, 7,025,800.87
Cash in Office and Bank, 133,545.87
Agents' Balances, 1,640.27
Premiums in course of collection, 1,164,275.00
Interest and Rents, 99,903.85
All other Assets, 122,712.50
Gross Assets, 40,117,037.92
Deduct Items not admitted, 698,431.14
Admitted, \$ 39,418,606.78
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923
Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,820,965.10
Unearned Premiums, 2,970,003.42
All other Liabilities, 528,508.24
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,681,531.53
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,518,006.78
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Hog receipts normal, market steady. Cattle receipts normal. Bulk of sales \$7.00-1.00, few \$7.50.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

California iceberg lettuce, Texas cabbage and spinach, and Florida strawberries were higher but most lines of shipped-in fruits and vegetables showed small price changes during the week. Crates of 4 dozen heads of California lettuce ranged mostly around \$3.00-5.50 with a small volume of fancy stock as high as \$6.00. Texas cabbage was closed stronger at a range of \$2.25-3.35 per bu. basket. Florida strawberries were rather green but in shorter supply and sold as high as 70c per crate. Closing prices of other Florida lines follow: Peppers, fancy 6, choice \$2.50 per crate, spaghetti, supplies light, \$2.00-2.50 per crate, tomatoes, original and fancy basket crates, best ripe and turning \$2.75-3.00, repacked stock \$2.50-4.50. String beans 3 bu. hampers \$2.50-7.00 according to quality. Golden Heart and French grain celery in the rough, \$4-5, mostly \$4.00 per crate. Oregon broccoli and California cauliflower and broccoli, crates of 5-12 heads, ranged mostly \$2.00-2.75. Maine green Mt. potatoes were unsold at \$1.50-2.00 per 100 lb. bag. Mass. N. Y. and Ind. Yellow onions in 100 lb. bags sold at \$1.50-2.75 per bag, according to size and quality. New Flat type cabbage from Texas, packed locally closed firm at \$2.75 per barrel, and \$3.00 per 75 lbs. bag. California asparagus arrived in morning, mostly unsold well at \$5-7 per crate of 12 bunches. Apples continued very weak, best Baldwin's A 2 1/2¢ up from Mass. N. H. and N. Y. supplies moved mostly 10-15¢ according to quality, with a few fancy packs 15-6¢ per barrel. Northwestern extra Fancy Wisconsin medium large ranged 12-15¢ per box. Florida oranges were steady, closing at a range of \$2.50-3.75, and grapefruit were practically unchanged at a range of \$2.00-3.00 per box.

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

Dressed poultry market rules unsettled and what on foot except for cheap fowl up to 25¢. Poultry 5 lbs. 20-25¢, 4-1/2 lbs. 20-25¢, 3-1/2 lbs. 20-25¢. Chickens: 8 lbs. 21-25¢, 4-1/2 lbs. 20-25¢, quality poor. Stags, 10 lbs. 20-25¢, small 20¢. Live Poultry easy with light demand moderate at irregular prices. Poultry 25¢, chickens 25-30¢. Butcher market featured by sharp declines and at close verges on depression. Buyers conservative, critical as to quality and were not anticipating future requirements. Sellers were pushing sales on all grades. Supply abundant and extreme weakness at other distributing markets reflecting here. Centralized carlots moved slowly, buyers preferring smaller lots. Sellers were anxious to sell. 53 score 41½¢, 50-51 score 41¢, 49-50 score 42-44¢, 51 score 41½¢. Eggs: Market closed weak, supplies heavy and expected arrivals heavy. Trade continuing moderate and for consumptive needs. Westerns Extras 25-27¢. Extra firsts 24-26¢, firsts 23-24¢, seconds 22-24¢, nearby hen eggs 27-28¢ with fancy browns up to 30¢.

A sealed verdict for \$17,387.12 was returned in superior court at Lawrence, Mass., in the case of Frank and Howard Hand of Merimac and Haverhill, against the Gray & Davis Company of Cambridge. The plaintiffs alleged they had invented and patented a headlight reflector for automobiles, locomotives and street cars and that the defendant firm had undertaken to manufacture them. It was further alleged that the defendant firm failed to follow specifications and that as a result the finished product was a failure, causing the plaintiffs to lose a considerable sum of money.

Members of the Amalgamated Shoe Workers of America are restrained from picketing the shoe factory of the Gregory Head Company in Lynn, Mass., by order of Judge Sanderson of the superior court, who said that he would replace a former temporary order which had been requested by attorneys for the firm. An open-shop policy was established by the firm a few months ago, when it broke relations with the Amalgamated and announced that in the future it would deal directly with its employees through the shop representation plan. Since that time more than 200 former members of the union have become employees at the factory and the Amalgamated has maintained pickets in front of the factory, on Washington street.

Members of the Massachusetts State Association of Spiritualists last week observed the 76th anniversary of the advent of modern spiritualism in Paul Rovery hall, Mechanics building of Boston. William O. Tyrrell, president of the association, presided and opened the morning session with an address of welcome. Few attended the morning and afternoon sessions but there was a larger turnout for the evening session, at which Dr. George H. Warren, president of the National Spiritualists Association, was the principal speaker. Other speakers at this session were the Rev. P. A. Wiggins, pastor of the Unity Church (Spiritualists) of Boston, and Mrs. Margaret J. Butler, president of the Ladies' League of Unity. All the speakers referred to the wonder interest in spiritualism and several ascribed this to persecution and said it was only with great difficulty they were able to meet and spread the doctrine.

In defiance of the order issued by the mercantile bureau of Worcester's Chamber of Commerce that all merchant members should close their places of business all day Patriots day, and should remain open Wednesday afternoon and close all week days at 5 P. M., member merchants dealing in some wear of every description voted to keep their stores open until 5 P. M. Patriots day, as usual and to close all day the following Monday, April 21. They also voted to close their stores Wednesday of tomorrow during the summer months.

PARAGRAPHS FOR THE NEW ENGLANDER

News of General Interest From the Six States

Announcement is made that the corner stone of the \$1,000,000 Masonic Temple being erected by the Masonic bodies of Springfield, Mass., will be laid on St. John's Day, June 24.

James C. Boyd was elected president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the board of governors. Edmund H. McDonald was re-elected executive secretary.

A Hartford insurance company has insured the peach crop of growers represented in the Georgia Peach Growers Exchange. Weather, crop transportation and fire hazards are covered.

Forty-eight horses were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a stable in the Roxbury district, Boston. Firemen rescued 12 other horses. The damage was placed at \$25,000.

Application for extension of the Arcticcoast Valley Railroad from New Sweden, a distance of twenty-seven miles to St. Agatha, Maine, has been made to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Bishop Edwin A. Hughes was unanimously re-elected bishop of the New England Southern Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the organization meeting of the 34th conference held in Providence, R. I., last week.

Newcastle, Maine, is looking forward to a busier season, this summer, since Israel Snow of Rockland has leased the Newcastle shipbuilding plant and will operate a mill and ship there. His first order will be the construction of a fifty-foot fishing vessel for a Rockland party.

Forty years ago the first telephone line between Boston and New York was opened. Today there are over 60 telephone circuits connecting the two cities, over which nearly 2500 calls are made daily. The opening of that line on March 27, 1884, was an important event in long distance telephony.

The Eastern States Farmers' Exchange brought more freight into New England during 1923 than any other single agency, the department of agriculture stated, in declaring its record an example of successful and cooperative effort and "more evidence of what can be accomplished by the farmer."

By a vote of three to two, the Haverhill (Mass.) city council has added 12 permanent men to the fire department. This comes as a result of a request by Fire Chief Hawkins to add a flying squadron. This squadron will be established May 1 and the men will answer every fire in the city, whether a telephone or bell alarm.

The exchange, which recently held its annual meeting at Springfield, has 13,000 farmer members, distributed 97,000 tons of feed, grain, fertilizer and seeds during 1923 at a wholesale cost of \$1,451,000, handled almost 5000 carloads of freight and increased its business 120 per cent. over 1922.

As a result of refusing to heed the court's suggestion that they wind up their chiropractic practice in Boston, William E. MacDougal and Joseph C. Jasper, found guilty several weeks ago of holding themselves out as practitioners of medicine and illegally practicing medicine, were given sentences of one month each and \$300 fine. The cases were tried before Judge Flynn.

Mrs. Augusta S. Frederick observed her 91st birthday at Bethel, Maine, entertaining guests at luncheon followed by action at her home. Mrs. Frederick was secretary of her father, Dr. Phineas P. Quimby, when he practiced in Portland, at which time Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy was his student and patient in mental healing.

The election by the trustees of Lyford A. Morrow of Contra Oulspen N. H. and Marden, as treasurer of Boston University, has been announced by President Leonard H. Martin. Mr. Morrow is president of the Underhay Oil Company of Boston and is president and treasurer of the New England Oil, Paint and Varnish Company of Boston.

There will be an unusual number of spring brides this year, for 50 date flowers I. Campbell has selected 15 applications from couples who are willing to stand the strain of the heat and light and publicity that goes with the marriage ceremony which is an annual feature of the House Beautiful show to be held in Boston the latter part of this month.

"The Witch House," Salem's oldest building, in which in 1692 Jonathan Corwin, one of the "witch judges," conducted his investigations and trials, was damaged by fire. The blaze, originating in a laundry in an annex, broke through into the garret of "The Witch House," seriously damaging many relics stored there and resulting in smoke and water damage to the rest of the building. A portion of the roof was burned away.

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I safeguard man through all his paths—from the first hour life's sun slants upon his footprints until the purple gathers in the west and the darkness falls. I lift up the fallen. I strengthen the weak. I help the distressed. I show mercy, bestow kindness and offer a friendly hand to the man in purple and fine linen and the man in homespun.

I am the essence of good fellowship, friendliness and love. I give gifts that gold cannot buy, nor things take away. They are given freely to all that ask. I bring back the freshness of life, the eagerness, the spirit of youth which feels that it has something to live for ahead. I meet you with outstretched arms and with songs of gladness.

Some time—some day—some hour—in the near or far future, you will yearn for the touch of my friendly hand. I am your comforter and your best friend. I'm calling you. I am the church.

CANTON

Mrs. Rosella Bicknell is making an extended visit with friends in Dixfield and Ramford.

Mrs. Roy Burgess has been visiting her father, John Merrill, of Sumner. Mrs. Fred Hutchinson and son, Fred, have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bishop of Smith's Crossing.

Thelma Bicknell of Lewiston has been a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bicknell.

Rodney and Urban McCollister have completed their contract in Houghton and returned home.

A special meeting of the Ladies' Circle was held at the Canton Point, Wednesday, for the school pupils. Dinner was served at noon, and a social time was enjoyed by all.

A delightful party of old friends was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allison Pines of Upham Street, Melrose, Mass., most of whom were born and formerly lived in Canton. The hostess, Mrs. Nora Brown Pines, was born at Canton Point, a daughter of the late Calvin Brown and Harriet Ellis Brown, who were prominent residents of Canton years ago.

The guests present were Mrs. Pines' two sisters, Miss Letta Brown and Miss Mary Brown of Malden, Mrs. Mattie Cunningham Brown of Portland, Mrs. Lucie Ellis Parker of Beverly, Mass., Miss Mary L. Hadley of Malden, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Mitchell of West Somerville, Miss Mary N. Richardson of Boston, and Mrs. William A. Lucas of Canton. A delicious dinner was served by the hostess, the table looking very springlike, with yellow baskets and roses for favors. The day was most enjoyably spent in this hospitable home among so many dear friends of former years, and will long be pleasantly remembered.

Among the cases of measles are Waldrice Morse, Russell, Leo and Ralph York, Helen Sampson, Phyllis Boothby, Evelyn and Catherine Tucker, Doris Dooney and Louise Hutchinson.

Mrs. Louis Stetson is visiting her son, Albert Dodge, and family of St. Paris. Mrs. Abbie Proctor has been spending a few days in Auburn with her sister, Mrs. Viola Hathaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Patterson left Saturday for Boston, where they will meet Mr. Patterson's sister, Mrs. Joseph Margaret of Hyde Park, and Mrs. Melba Jones of Everett.

Doris Hines has been visiting relatives in Jay.

The Ladies' Aid of the United Baptist Church will hold an all day meeting at the vestry on Thursday. The grade schools opened Monday.

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The opening of the high school has been postponed a week on account of the many cases of measles.

Ethel Rich has gone to Wrentham, Mass., where she has a position as attendant in the children's hospital.

WEST PARIS

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union observed the fifth Sunday union service at the Methodist Church. The program was in charge of Mrs. Lena Herick and was very efficiently carried out. The motto was "Saving America." Exercises by the children, readings and remarks by the adults were in accord with the subject of Prohibition, and the motto for the evening. The flag exercises were effective. Several selections were sung by a chorus of young ladies.

There will be a public card party and dance Saturday evening, April 5, at Grange Hall.

The three act drama, "The Path Across the Hill," was presented at Grange Hall, Thursday evening to a full house. The actors all deserve much praise for the pleasing manner in which the play was given, and the specialties between the acts were entertaining features of the evening. Supper was served from 6:30 to 7:00 o'clock, and there was a very appetizing menu which attracted a good crowd. The affair was highly successful and a good sum netted for the Grange.

The grade school held a social Tuesday evening, and Wednesday evening the high school held a public box supper. Harry Patch was in Augusta, Wednesday.

Mrs. Mabel Mann and Mrs. Addie Mann were at Norway, Friday.

Dr. F. H. Packard was called to Winthrop recently by the death of his brother, James H. Packard.

The mothers of the grade school children will meet with Mrs. Ethel Peasey, Thursday afternoon to work for the sale. Home made candy will be on sale during the afternoon.

The annual meeting of the Universalist parish was held Tuesday evening. The following officers were elected: Moderator—H. H. Wardwell.

Clerk—H. C. Perham. Treas.—L. C. Bates. Trustees—L. C. Bates, E. D. Stilwell, C. F. Barden.

Chorister—Mrs. H. H. Wardwell. Mrs. Clayton Churchill of St. Paris was in town Thursday and attended the drama.

Miss Ethel Flavin is at home for a vacation from teaching at Norway.

HANOVER

A. T. Powers, who has been ill for several weeks with inflammatory rheumatism, is convalescing slowly, and is so to be about, but is not able to be out of doors.

Mrs. Lewis Andrews (Lilli Smith) of South Paris was an over Sunday visitor with her daughters, Nellie, Clarice and baby Elizabeth, at her father's, A. T. Powers.

Mrs. Dyke, who has been at Upper Dams for the winter, returned to Hanover recently for a few weeks.

H. B. Smith & Co., who have been cutting pine on their lot in Andover, have finished and have landed the first lot of pine that ever went into Ellis River. There were about one hundred of these trees that scaled around two thousand feet apiece, the largest one scaling thirty six hundred and eighty five feet.

Will Holt has returned to Indian Rock Camp and already things are beginning to hum around the lake.

Ernest Moore and Glendon Hutchins go this week to Augusta as delegates to the Boys' Conference.

Rehearsal began Monday, March 31, in both districts, with the same teachers, Miss Harrington and Miss Martin.

Maple sugar making is at its best. Wax on snow! Let help yourself please. Never in the memory of the oldest inhabitants have we had such a wonder.

ful, beautiful, balmy, tropical, open-faced winter as we've had this winter. From November 1st until Feb. 1st the New England climate was simply one period of ideal perfection that made Florida and southern California billious with envy.

GROVER HILL

Mrs. Carrie S. Grover from Gorham is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Eliza Spinnay, and other relatives in town. Miss Ida M. Haselton has returned from Skillington, where she has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson the past week.

Ernest and Bertha Mundi, who have been at home during the Easter vacation, returned to Gould's Academy, Monday.

Mr. H. M. Verrill, carrier on route 4, came with a wagon March 31st, had last year not until April 17th.

True Browne came home last week from Sunday River, where he had been in the employ of Harry Bryant this winter.

J. A. McKenzie and sons hauled two loads of hay from the True Browne farm last week.

Alfred J. Peaslee is at home from Norway, where he has been working in the Tebbets birch mill.

Schools are enjoying a two weeks recess at their respective homes.

Miss Dorothy Parsons and Eleanor Lyon were guests of Miss Evelyn Whitman, Saturday, at her home, Elmhurst.

Karl Stearns and the Hutchinson brothers, who have employment in the Stowell mill, are boarding at home.

Mrs. W. H. Hutchinson was the guest of Mrs. M. F. Tyler one day last week.

Mrs. Lyman Wheeler from Bethel was here with his wood sawing outfit last week.

Fred Mundi and C. L. Whitman are helping J. A. McKenzie in the woods. Alice and Warren Tyler, who have been ill, are able to be out again.

WEST BETHEL

The school closed Friday for a vacation of two weeks. The teachers, Clara

Mason and Katherine Brown, and the pupils gave an entertainment Friday evening with a very good attendance. The first thunder and lightning storm came Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bean and two children of Auburn were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Morrill for the week end.

Mrs. Maud O'Reilly, who teaches in White River Junction, Vt., came to her home here Saturday for her vacation.

Mrs. Nettie Mason is entertaining company from Portland.

Mrs. Alden Mason was in Bethel village, Saturday.

Mrs. C. J. Bell and daughter, Madlyn of South Paris are the guests of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Grover, Mrs. Chas. McInnis, and F. I. Bean attended Oxford County Pomona held at Oxford, Tuesday from Pleasant Valley Grange, West Bethel.

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SOUTH ALBANY

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Hill returned home Friday after spending the winter in West Haven.

O. T. Green was at Ray Wardwell's, Monday, after the drug saw machine.

A heavy thunder shower passed over this vicinity Sunday morning. The lightning struck a telephone pole in front of Charles Morley's house.

W. I. Decker was a dinner guest at J. A. Kimball's, Monday.

Lee Lord is sick with a hard cold.

The Selectmen were in session at the town house, Tuesday, April 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray G. Wardwell attended the "Spasm" Saturday night.

E. B. Skeld was a business visitor in Norway, Monday.

Harold Canwell called on his friend, Jean Kimball, Monday.

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GILKAD

Mrs. Lola Lary of Bethel is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. T. Heath.

George Kimball of Bryant's Pond spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kimball.

Alexander Simpson has returned to Portland after spending her vacation with her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Leighton.

Mrs. Grace Estes is confined to her home by illness.

Mrs. Gertrude Emery of Percy, N. H., is cooking at G. E. Leighton's boarding house.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kimball of So. Paris were guests of his mother, Mrs. Adeline Kimball, last Sunday.

George Leighton was a business visitor in Lawrence, Mass., last week.

There was a social dance at the town hall last Saturday evening.

Mr. J. A. McElroy was a business visitor in Auburn last week.

Ira Cole and family of Raymond were recent guests at G. E. Leighton's.

S. S. Greenleaf of Bethel was in town one day last week.

Mrs. Laura Bennett was in Gorham, N. H., last Monday.

Herman Mason of Bethel was a visitor in this vicinity, Monday.

Miss Janet Fraser has returned home from Jefferson, N. H., after spending the winter with relatives there.

Mrs. Myrtle Adams and family have moved to Gorham, N. H.

Philip Loder of Berlin, N. H., is visiting his brother, Larry Loder, and family.

Mrs. Florence Bryant was in Berlin, N. H., one day last week.

Mrs. Stella Baker and son, Donald, were recent visitors in Portland.

H. A. Golin has returned home from Troy, N. Y.

SUNDAY RIVER

Miss Hargess was called to Portland, Saturday, by the illness of his son.

School commenced Monday with Miss Agnes Foster as teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williamson and family are staying with Mr. Albert Emery for the present.

Ray Bennett has moved into the Godwin house, and is working in Bryant's mill.

Clint Littlefield is doing some painting and pointing at Will Spinnery's.

Dorothy Bailey is spending his vacation with his parents at the farm.

Joe Epison recently purchased a cow of Harry Williamson.

MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD

Lester Colledge and Mrs. Wallace Colledge spent Sunday at J. P. Colledge's.

Miss Ethel Capen and Alice Chapman were in Lewiston, Saturday, on business.

Lester Colledge is confined to the house with very sore eyes at Walter Balcom's.

Mrs. Mary J. Capen returned to her daughter's at Middle Intervale one day last week.

Frank Abbott is still doing there at C. A. Capen's.

Song

Women make a secret
Of their happiness;
Let it be denied them
They will not confess.

Joy with them is hidden,
Spoken in their grief.
Thus they hope to hinder
Time, that lurking thief.

They will tell of terror,
Count the bleeding scars—
In their hearts are folded
Safe the golden years.

Women who are happy
Verily are wise,
They shall be forgiven
For their hidden lies.

—Josephine Lawrence, in New York Sun.

Writer Describes Scene on Jap Passenger Train

A Japanese train in the height of originality and picturesque, says Arnold Cipolla in *La Stampa*. Everything is on a small scale—seats, baggage racks and equipment in general—as well as graceful, artistic and meticulously neat.

The dining car contained one low table down the center, along which were arranged little stools that seemed made for children. Japanese and European food was served, as the traveler desired. Chopsticks and knives and forks were equally in vogue.

The Nipponese-American menu was delectable in every sense of the word, but the prices were exceedingly high. As a rule, a European pays twice as much as a native, unless he is able to protest in Chinese or Japanese.

The train was full of Japanese—soldiers in faultless uniforms and Japanese ladies in graceful kimonos, with huge obi bows behind. They did not impress me as attractive when seen in numbers for the first time, especially when tottering along with their jerky, short-step walk. But what marvelous colportage!

A petty officer in the seat ahead of me requested a light from the cigarette of the lady next to him; and the elaborate series of graceful little movements that he made in taking and returning the cigarette were a masterpiece of gallantry.

Impossible



Mrs. Miriam Olson—This film isn't true to life.

Miriam—What's the matter with it?

Mrs. Olson—The subtitle reads, "Two weeks have elapsed" and that family still has the same maid.

What It Was Worth

He stood, apparently deep in thought, under the three golden balls which hung above the doorway of the shop.

Presently resolution came to him; he crossed the threshold and inquired of the proprietor: "How much will you give me for this coat?"

"A shilling," returned the pawnbroker, eyeing the shabby garment with undisguised contempt.

"Oh, make it 2 shillings," exclaimed the seedy one. "If you'll take it, I'll give you 5 bob if it's worth a penny!"

"My friend," said the pawnbroker, "I wouldn't give you 5 shillings for two overcoats like that—no, certainly I wouldn't."

"Come, come!" replied the seedy one, persuasively. "Would you take a shilling if the coat were yours?"

"Yes, and thank I'd done well."

"Ah, then, that's all right. Here's your bob. I found the coat outside, and brought it in to see how much it was really worth."—*Toronto Globe*.

Raven White

There is an ancient belief that the raven was originally white but was turned black for its disobedience. The Greek legend is that Apollo sent the bird to the fountain for water, but on arrival it found a fig tree with fruit so nearly ripe that it decided to wait until it was quite set; and, since an excuse for the delay was necessary, it brought back to the god a water snake in his pitcher with the explanation that the creature had drunk the fountain's dew.

And, partly from their secreted white bodies, partly, too, from their lack of wisdom, are almost universally regarded as of cowardly cowardice.

Among the ancient Greeks and the Moors of Tunis and the Arabs of the East, the raven was regarded as a messenger of evil.

The great raven of the olden times, who lived in the tower of the old castle, and who was the terror of the people, was a very different creature from the one we see today.

"Ah!" she gasped. "I think the raven is returning."

He smiled and responded: "No, no, no! He won't come without his prey."

"That's very true."

"Is he coming now?" she asked.

"No, no, no! He won't come until he has the prey he wants."

"That's very true."

"Is he coming now?" she asked.

"No, no, no! He won't come until he has the prey he wants."

Overlooked

May—She had a steady race for a moment.

June—Yes, I heard she married a foreigner—German, I think.

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

(Continued from page 1)

us in order that we may smell like men?"

The word "lobbyist" is bitterly abhorred by Senators and Representatives. Ah, but the shoe is on the other foot when these gentlemen are out of office, because a majority of the lobbyists are former members of one or the other of the two branches of Congress.

A conservative in Congress is one who is apt to champion upholding and maintaining the traditions of Government. A "radical" is one who always has improvements to offer. The statements are mostly all dead politicians, but there are a few of them left alive, and they are usually a cross between the conservative and the radical.

Considering all the restrictions placed on public men through the sear and scorch of politics, they do pretty well by the Government and their constituents.

PREVIOUS SHOCKS

One of the worst times Washington had in the Harding administration was with the coal strike. It was a terrible shock, and President Harding committed the matter to a commission—which gave former Vice President Marshall a job, and did considerable good besides.

People are apt to think that we never had troubles in Washington until Daugherty and oil began bothering us. But there were other shocks, and there were other scandals. President Washington put down a whiskey rebellion by using troops, so that the present fight against booze is not entirely an original proposition. The scandal in connection with building the Washington monument shook the nation, and while we cannot recall the details it does seem, however, that somebody tried to graft a little on the raising of the obelisk. In the Hayes and Tilden days the charges were to the effect that someone was trying to steal the presidency. At other times it has been a fear that great natural resources would improperly pass into the hands of private ownership.

Through it all the Government has survived and improved, and like San Francisco has looked better after it got over each shock.

RADIOS FOR HOSPITALS

Washington is like the rest of the country—radio mad. There is more enthusiasm about radio than usually surrounds the affairs of a presidential election. Not only has Washington been having a big radio show that attracted everybody from cabinet officers to newsboys, but all kinds of shop windows are filled with radio articles that are for sale. Recently the famous "Roxy" and his "gang" came to Washington from New York, and they visited the hospitals where they gave entertainments to the patients. "Roxy" started a campaign to buy a radio receiving set for every hospital bed in Washington, including Walter Reed, and all places where war veterans are cared for. The movement has been so successful, that its object will doubtless be attained. This is one of the bright triumphs of radio in the interests of humanity, that should be taken up everywhere, in order that hospitals and their patients may have this great comfort in their lives.

ORIGINAL LEGISLATION

The bill appropriating ten million dollars for food supplies for Germany was amended in the House of Representatives so that the food should be purchased as far as possible from farmers.



Brighten Up Your Home!

Have you been wondering how you were going to refinish that worn chair or table? Has the dull appearance of the living room floor or the stairs been worrying you? You probably are saying, "Yes," and here is your answer—Refinish it with

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS FLOORLAC

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Fill in this coupon with your name and address, bring it to our store with 15 cents and you will receive a 30c can of Floorlac and a 15 cent Varnish Brush. This introductory offer is limited. Send your name and bring the coupon to our store today.

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organizations, and shipped on United States Shipping Board ships. That's "having an eye to business."

BONGO POND

Miss Jennie Kimball called on Miss Carla Rolfe and Mrs. Leon Morris, Tuesday.

Mrs. Albert Kenniston was a caller at E. C. Lapham's, Tuesday.

Charles Gorman found a Mayflower in full bloom one day last week.

Abner Kimball has a crew helping him saw and split his wood.

Charles Gorman was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gorman, at Hunt's Corner, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomas returned to their home in Groveton, N. H., Saturday, after spending a week's visit at A. B. Kimball's.

Mr. E. O. Donahue was a week end guest of relatives in Lewiston.

Mr. Geo. Burris and friend, Mr. Newton Lee, of Truro, N. S., are visiting Mr. Burris' sister, Mrs. A. B. Kimball, for a few weeks.

Edward Lapham and Jim Edwards worked for L. N. Kimball, Monday, fitting up wood.

Mrs. E. C. Lapham and baby, Myrtle, were guests of her mother, Mrs. Frank Association.

UTK Tailor Shop

Naimey Building

Tailoring for men and women. Remodelling, Alterations, Repairing, Cleaning and Pressing.

SUITS MADE TO ORDER

ALSO FUR WORK

Emery, Sunday.
Roy Good has employment at Fatties' mill.

Traffic on electric railways of the United States is increasing at the rate of 500,000,000 passengers per year. To take care of additional traffic will call for new capital aggregating about \$175,000,000, according to Britton I. Bauld, president of American Electric Railway Association.

The Very Midst of the Sewing Period Finds This Store Splendidly Ready

Ready from every angle, the right materials, complete range of qualities and colors and equally as important prices that afford you excellent values. Everybody who has seen them has spoken in the highest terms of their beauty and excellence.

We never before had such pretty things for Spring and Summer Dresses and Blouses.

We are Ready and Willing to send you samples of the New Goods.

Voiles, Crepes, Linens, Piedmont Prints, Tissues, Gaze
Marvels, Shantung, Ratine, Drawn Cloth, Pamico
Cloth, Endurance, Gingham and Percale

THE SPRING SILK DRESSES

The styles were never richer than is revealed in these beautiful models. The fabrics are the newest, many different kinds of crepe with trimming of embroidery and beading, draperies are used exclusively. The colorings are beautiful.

Priced \$16.95 upward to \$27.50

SMART SPRING COATS

These are garments made for dress-up, street and motor-ing. The styles are particularly smart and have that air of individuality so much desired by every woman. Every favored style of the season can be found in our broad collection.

Spring Coats \$12.95 upward to \$49.50

LADIES' AND MISSES' SPRING SUITS

Attractively Priced \$24.75

We want to point out particularly that aside from the attractive price each suit has been carefully made and in such manner as to render satisfactory service.

Other Suits up to \$49.75

HOLEPROOF HOSIERY FOR SPRING

Holeproof is the hosiery of lustrous beauty and fine texture that wears so well. It is not surprising, therefore, that it is selected by many people who can afford to pay far more for their hose but who prefer the Holeproof combination of style and serviceability at such reasonable prices.

TRY THE HOLEPROOF EXTRA-STRETCH TOP

When you wear this stocking, you will always insist on it. The Holeproof "Extra Stretch Top" stocking is not only the most comfortable stocking made, fitting all limbs snugly, whether large or small, without binding, but it prevents "runs" arising from garter strain.

Holeproof Hosiery in Lisle, Silkface and All Silk.
Priced 50c, 60c, 70c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50

Brown, Buck & Co.

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WESTERN ASSURANCE CO. CANADA

Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
 Stocks and Bonds, \$3,217,582.91
 Cash in Office and Bank, 655,079.37
 Agents' Balances, 558,038.88
 Interest and Rents, 46,098.67
 All other Assets, 14,281.00

Gross Assets, \$4,501,080.83
 Deduct items not admitted, 204,259.08

Admitted, \$4,296,821.77
 Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 966,671.00
 Unearned Premiums, 1,836,441.64
 All other Liabilities, 62,000.00
 Cash Capital, 400,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,031,709.13

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,296,821.77
 Cram & Foster, United States Managers
 3-27-31-G

CALEDONIAN INSURANCE COMPANY OF EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
 Stocks and Bonds, \$3,367,313.00
 Cash in Office and Bank, 171,207.73
 Agents' Balances, 613,741.88
 Interest and Rents, 36,823.80
 All other Assets, 78,440.71

Gross Assets, \$4,267,527.14
 Deduct items not admitted, 38,540.14

Admitted, \$4,228,987.00
 Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 273,762.93
 Unearned Premiums, 2,608,794.43
 All other Liabilities, 124,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,222,429.64

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,228,987.00
 3-27-31-G

CALEDONIAN-AMERICAN INSURANCE CO., NEW YORK, N. Y.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
 Stocks and Bonds, \$721,925.00
 Cash in Office and Bank, 37,981.82
 Agents' Balances, 71,406.19
 Interest and Rents, 10,650.64
 All other Assets, 7,865.81

Gross Assets, \$849,742.46
 Deduct items not admitted, 2,893.91

Admitted, \$846,848.55
 Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 28,508.30
 Unearned Premiums, 359,829.81
 All other Liabilities, 14,000.00
 Cash Capital, 200,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 266,830.07

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$846,848.55
 3-27-31-G

CITY OF NEW YORK INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW YORK

Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
 Mortgage Loans, \$ 85,700.00
 Stocks and Bonds, Market, 4,213,615.00
 Cash in Office and Bank, 361,654.32
 Agents' Balances, 475,637.85
 Interest and Rents, 36,616.00
 All other Assets, 55,910.00

Gross Assets, \$4,232,663.00
 Deduct items not admitted, 23,154.94

Admitted, \$4,209,508.06
 Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 317,567.00
 Unearned Premiums, 1,764,734.00
 All other Liabilities, 396,099.81
 Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 724,518.09

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,209,508.06
 3-27-31-G

NORTH AMERICAN ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
 Mortgage Loans, \$ 401,963.45
 Collateral Loans, 1,900.00
 Stocks and Bonds, 674,973.45
 Cash in Office and Bank, 99,537.79
 Agents' Balances, 55,501.03
 Interest and Rents, 11,533.88
 All other Assets, 188,571.44

Gross Assets, \$1,433,344.75
 Deduct items not admitted, \$5,627.09

Admitted, \$1,427,717.66
 Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 231,268.71
 Unearned Premiums, 610,722.31
 All other Liabilities, 112,470.89
 Cash Capital, 250,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 187,135.85

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,427,717.66
 3-27-31-G

GRANITE STATE FIRE INS. CO. Portsmouth, N. H.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
 Mortgage Loans, \$ 23,000.00
 Stocks and Bonds, 131,250.00
 Cash in Office and Bank, 120,449.47
 Agents' Balances, 120,449.47
 Interest and Rents, 12,044.95
 All other Assets, 12,044.95

Gross Assets, \$2,000,154.56
 Deduct items not admitted, 120,449.47

Admitted, \$1,879,705.09
 Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 10,000.00
 Unearned Premiums, 1,100,000.00
 All other Liabilities, 1,100,000.00
 Cash Capital, 1,100,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,100,000.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,879,705.09
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THAT BAD BACK

Do you have a dull, steady ache in the small of the back—sharp, stabbing twinges when stooping or lifting—distressing urinary disorders? For bad back and weakened kidneys Bethel residents recommend Doan's Pills. Read this Bethel statement.

F. M. Wood, 4 Park St., says: "My kidneys began to annoy me after I had strained my back lifting. My back ached pretty badly and I was in bad shape for a long time. When I took pills, my kidneys became congested and at times they acted irregularly. Doan's Pills were recommended, so I began to use them and they took hold of the trouble quickly. I soon had relief from the backache and the action of my kidneys was corrected." (Statement given June 8, 1916.)

On September 9, 1920, Mr. Wood said: "Doan's have done fine work whenever I have used them for any sign of kidney weakness. I think just as highly of Doan's today as when I first endorsed them."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Pills—the same that Mr. Wood had. Foster-McIlburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

MASSACHUSETTS FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE CO., BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
 Stocks and Bonds, \$1,389,635.00
 Cash in Office and Bank, 15,517.23
 Agents' Balances, 29,936.77
 Interest and Rents, 10,634.00
 All other Assets, 6,742.23

Gross Assets, \$1,462,815.25
 Deduct items not admitted, 14,682,815.25

Admitted, \$1,462,815.25
 Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$161,994.36
 Unearned Premiums, 183,000.32
 All other Liabilities, 63,613.15
 Cash Capital, 599,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 555,209.42

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,462,815.25
 Stuart W. Goodwin, Agent, Norway, Maine.
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THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON & GLOBE INS. CO., LTD.

U. S. Branch Executive Office, 1 Pershing Square, New York, N. Y.
 Metropolitan Office, 80 William St., New York City

Assets Dec. 31, 1923
 Real Estate, \$1,256,202.24
 Mortgage Loans, 1,538,664.68
 Stocks and Bonds, 15,679,294.46
 Cash in Office and Bank, 1,515,735.01
 Agents' Balances, 2,522,963.20
 Bills Receivable, 47,007.39
 Interest and Rents, 160,610.00
 All other Assets, 402,230.76

Gross Assets, \$21,071,727.80
 Deduct items not admitted, 989,908.25

Admitted, \$20,081,819.55
 Liabilities Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,815,271.62
 Unearned Premiums, 11,990,439.99
 All other Liabilities, 6,260,781.63
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 6,260,781.63

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$20,081,819.55
 Stuart W. Goodwin, Agent, Norway, Maine.
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THE CONNECTICUT FIRE INSURANCE CO. of Hartford, Conn.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1923
 Mortgage Loans, \$ 485,350.00
 Collateral Loans, 10,000.00
 Stocks and Bonds, 11,538,648.33
 Cash in Office and Bank, 696,354.60
 Agents' Balances, 1,023,278.39
 Bills Receivable, 151,000.34
 Interest and Rents, 148,975.41
 All other Assets, 35,429.09

Gross Assets, \$13,998,001.07
 Deduct items not admitted, 114,433.26

Admitted Assets, \$13,793,567.81
 Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,018,144.14
 Unearned Premiums, 7,241,177.21
 All other Liabilities, 375,000.00
 Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 4,759,246.46

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$13,793,567.81
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RADIO PROGRAMS

Westinghouse Radio Station WBZ
 Springfield, Mass.
 337 Meters—890 Kilocycles

THURSDAY

11:55 A. M.—Arlington time signals; weather reports; Boston and Springfield market reports.

7:00 P. M.—Music talk by Robert Elisha Stanley Olmstead, professor of vocal music at Smith College. The subjects for tonight are: "Sacred Music; Oratorio; The Spirit of Worship."

7:30 P. M.—Bedtime story for the children.

7:40 P. M.—Concert by Sylvia Glasser, pianist; Willard Clark, baritone; Benjamin Buxton, accompanist.

1—Piano group—
 (a) "On Wings of Song" Mendelssohn-Liszt
 (b) "Rondo Capriccioso" Mendelssohn

—Miss Glasser

2—Baritone group—
 (a) "Where'er You Walk" Handel
 (b) "Cradle Song" Mr. Clark

3—Piano group—
 (a) "Nocturne" Chopin
 (b) "Waltz B Flat" Chopin

—Miss Glasser

4—Baritone group—
 (a) "Mondnacht" Halle
 (b) "The Swan" Grieg

—Mr. Clark

5—Piano solo, "Scherzo B Flat" Chopin

—Miss Glasser

6—Baritone solo Selected
 —Mr. Clark
 (Eastern Standard time)

FRIDAY

11:55 A. M.—Arlington time signals; weather reports; Boston and Springfield market reports.

6:00 P. M.—Dinner concert by the WBZ Orchestra. Program:
 1—Fox trot, "Blue Rose"
 2—"Woodland Sketches" MacDowell
 3—Fox trot, "There's a Bend at the End of the Swanee"
 4—Clarinet solo, Adagio, Spohr
 Herbert Shumway
 5—Fox trot, "Mean Blue"
 6—Waltz, Honolulu Moon Kundo
 7—Suite, "A Lover in Damascus" Woodford Plinden

8—Fox trot Selected

7:00 P. M.—Dramatized story prepared by The Youth's Companion; "Current Book Review," by R. A. Macdonald of the Court Square Book Store

7:30 P. M.—Bedtime story for the children.

11:00 P. M.—Program of chamber music by the WBZ Orchestra and Mrs. Julia A. Mattson, soprano; Prof. A. Corborenschi, accompanist; Ernest S. Valva, pianist. Program:
 1—Waltz, "Lonesome and Blue" Tillman
 WBZ Orchestra
 2—Soprano solo, "Mad Scene from Lucia di Lammermoor" Donizetti
 Miss Mattson
 3—Piano solo Selected
 Mr. Valva
 4—Pizzicati (Style) Delibes
 WBZ Orchestra
 5—Soprano solo, "Canto Nono" from "Rigoletto" Verdi
 Miss Mattson
 6—Selection from "Martha" Flotow
 WBZ Orchestra
 7—Piano solo Selected
 Mr. Valva
 8—Marchetta Scherzinger
 WBZ Orchestra

SATURDAY

11:55 A. M.—Arlington time signals; weather reports; Boston market reports.

6:50 P. M.—"The Use of Radio as an Auxiliary Language," by G. C. Rice of Boston.

7:00 P. M.—Dinner concert by the Hotel Kimball Trio, transmitted from the Hotel Kimball during scene, Jan. 1923, violinist and pianist, Angelo Gaudin, pianist, Robert Paul Lawrence, pianist

7:30 P. M.—Bedtime story for the children.

The Citizens' Military Training Camps

authorities at the Headquarters First Corps Area have received a formal application from John Coolidge, the son of the President to attend the camp which is to be held at Camp Devens, Mass., during August. John's application reads as follows:

"I apply for enrollment in the C. M. T. Camp, August 1-31, 1924. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations. State preference of branch of service—INFANTRY.....

I hereby certify that I am physically fit to undergo the training of the RED Course, and have suffered no illness or injury since last attendance at the Citizens' Military Training Camp.

Signature..... John Coolidge.....
 Street and Number..... The White House, City and State..... Washington, D. C., .."

The President's younger son, Calvin Coolidge, Jr., has also applied for information and application blanks pertaining to the camps, stating that he too is interested in attending the camp this summer.

In accordance with John's request he will be assigned to the Red Infantry Course. This being Calvin, Jr.'s first year he will be required to undergo the usual physical examination, inoculation against typhoid fever and vaccination against smallpox before he can be accepted. As John attended camp last year he will be excused from this examination, as it is only required to be taken once in three years. If Calvin is accepted for the camp he will attend the Basic Course.

It will be very gratifying to New England parents whose boys contemplate attending Camp Devens this summer to know that the President's sons will also attend the New England

camp. The fact that the President of the United States has approved the decision of each of his two sons to attend the Citizens' Military Training Camp indicates his approval of these camps and his confidence in them as an agency to teach young Americans the right principles of sturdy Americanism.

New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to spend \$29,000,000 in 1924 for improvements in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The stock of gold in the United States now totals \$4,200,000,000, which is more than one-half of the estimated aggregate amount in all the world.

MOTHERS should know

At the first symptom of Indigestion, Sluggish Liver, Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Headache, it's wise to give "L.F." Atwood's Medicine, the effective and harmless old household remedy. Brings quick relief to children and grown-ups alike. Large bottle 50 cents. Small bottle 25 cents. All druggists.

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LOWE BROTHERS High Standard Liquid Paints will do two things for your home. They will beautify it with a combination of rich, soft colors that will retain their original freshness for a long time. And they will give you the best of protection against weathering because of their remarkable wearing qualities. They'll cost less, too, than many paints, because they have unusual ability in covering and hiding.

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 BETHEL, MAINE

Croatia and Its People



Croatian Men in Native Costumes.

Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.

Croatia is about to become an active partner in the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, after being a silent partner for nearly four years.

The Croats were not at all pleased with the dominance of the Serbs in the new kingdom, and since the adoption of the constitution in June, 1921, the Croats have been working for a more equal partnership.

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That which serves all the people should be paid for by all the people. That which is paid for by all the people should be under the control of all the people.

These are self evident truths. We act by them when we build a Panama Canal, set aside and care for an area of natural beauty as a public park, give land to a transcontinental railroad, establish and run an Army and a Navy, and conduct a Postal System.

The entire Nation pays to build and maintain a Navy to protect New York and other seacoast cities. The people of a great many States never see a battleship during their entire lives. There is no valid objection to this, because every one realizes that the capture or loss of the seacoast cities would affect the entire Nation.

The same principle holds in the construction of a national system of good roads. The whole Nation will benefit vastly from good roads in increased prosperity, better education, and development of natural resources.

The money spent on rivers is all paid by the Federal Government from general taxation, yet this traffic is only a small fraction of the traffic along our improved highways, and its benefits are proportionately small.

To the farmer, a hard road means more than any other Federal activity, even the Postal Service. It is a convenience to get his mail promptly, but a good road makes it possible for him to run his farm or dairy at a much higher rate of production and greater profit, gives him and his family more of the comforts and luxuries of life, helps his children to get a better education, and raises his entire standard of living.

Why contend that roads, a public utility for all the people, should be left to different groups of people to develop, when Postal Service, Army, Navy and the projected superpower system are admitted to be national affairs.

FORGET PARTISAN POLITICS IN TAX QUESTION

President Coolidge, in his Lincoln Day New York speech on tax reduction said:

"If we had a tax whereby on the first working day the Government took 5 per cent of your wages, on the second day 10 per cent, on the third day 20 per cent, on the fourth day 30 per cent, on the fifth day 40 per cent, how many of you would continue to work on the last two days of the week? It is the same with capital. Surplus income will go into tax exempt securities. It will refuse to take the risk incidental to earning in business. This will value the rate which established business will have to pay for new capital, and result in a marked increase in the cost of living."

The high prices paid and low prices received on the farm are directly due to our present method of taxation. I shall illustrate by a simple example: A farmer ships a steer to Chicago. His tax, the tax on the railroad transporting the animal, and of the yards where the animal is sold, go into the price of the animal to the packer. The packer's tax goes into the price of the hide to the New England shoe manufacturer. The manufacturer's tax goes into the price to the wholesaler, and the wholesaler's tax goes into the price to the retailer, who in turn adds his tax to his price to his purchaser. So it may be said that if the farmer ultimately wears the shoes he pays everybody's taxes from the farm to his feet.

It is essential, therefore, for the good of the people as a whole that we pay not so much attention to the tax paid directly by a certain number of the taxpayers, but we must devote our efforts to relieving the tax paid indirectly by the whole people.

The foregoing seems like good sense when we consider the fact that a Republican or a Democratic president. If the question could be considered as a business proposition affecting all the people equally and removed from the realm of selfish political activity, it would be a blessing to the American people.

Now much larger will we have to pay excessive taxes in order that the national subject may be treated as a national subject in Washington?

The wage earner is 11 per cent better off in 1923 than he was one year ago, according to survey of National Industrial Conference. Wages paid in this country last year totaled \$13,000,000,000.

No one department can hope to be entirely successful or make use of good methods unless it is well equipped. Taxes without number it has been reported that such and such a department employed extensively what equipment is possessed, but that "it was lacking much necessary equipment."

WEST GREENWOOD

Leonard Armstrong spent the week end at W. A. Holt's. Yella Harrington returned to her school in Hanover, Sunday. Phyllis Campbell visited several days of last week at Mrs. Flanders' at Skillington.

Allister Lowe and son, Charles, were in town, recently.

School in this vicinity began Monday, March 31st.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Shaw are receiving congratulations over a baby girl born March 10th.

Robert Cummings has finished work for John Deegan and returned home.

Several attended the auction at Bethel, Saturday afternoon.

Charles Rainey is at home for a few days.

Mrs. Guy Powers of West Paris is visiting relatives for a few days.

Miss Ethel Yorgie was at home over the week end from West Paris.

Mrs. Edgar Chase is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Thomas, for a few days.

Several in this vicinity are making maple syrup and they are reporting a good run of sap.

Emma Cross of Locke's Mills was in town one day last week.

Clayton Blake saved firewood for F. E. Brooke, Friday.

Miss Gertrude Walker has returned home after staying with relatives at South Paris for two weeks.

Edgar Cross was at Locke's Mills one day last week.

Charles Mason and Gerald Walker were at South Paris on business, Monday.

Harriet Blake has completed her duties at Mrs. Alice Farrington's at Locke's Mills and has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Maxim of Locke's Mills were in town Sunday.

Several from here attended the auction at Bethel, Saturday.

MASSACHUSETTS BONDING & INSURANCE COMPANY

14-20 Kilby Street, Boston, Mass.

Assets Dec. 31, 1923

Real Estate, \$100,000.00

Mortgage Loans, 15,750.00

Stocks and Bonds, 5,000.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 797,631.41

Agents' Balances, 921.50

Bills Receivable, 17,077.58

Interest and Rents, 1,227,990.46

All other Assets, 85,426,117.40

Deduct items not admitted, 192,908.79

Admitted, 85,233,148.61

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, 42,237,404.10

Unearned Premiums, 2,676,516.82

All other Liabilities, 592,036.28

Cash Capital, 1,500,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,517,161.33

Total Liabilities and Surplus, 45,233,148.61

Members, Parr & Whitten, Augusta, Maine, State agents for Bonding and Surety

A. L. Parents, Lewiston, Maine, State agent for Accident & Health

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

In a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty four.

The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three times successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris on the third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1924, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

J. Gardner Roberts late of Hanover, deceased, petitioned that Joshua H. Roberts be appointed administrator of the estate of said deceased to act without bond presented by Joshua H. Roberts, brother and heir.

Helena M. Staples late of Hanover, deceased, petitioned for order to distribute balance remaining in her hands presented by Harry A. Staples, administrator. Also, Anne H. Staples, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty four.

Albert D. Park, Register.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executrix of the will of William D. Mills, late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same to the settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

EMMA F. MILLER, March 19th, 1924. West Bethel, Maine.

CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, Hammond, Indiana

Assets Dec. 31, 1923

Real Estate, \$100,000.00

Mortgage Loans, 2,517,860.02

Collateral Loans, 8,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 5,313,254.87

Cash in Office and Bank, 537,910.04

Agents' Balances, 72,477.39

Bills Receivable, 3,276.09

Interest and Rents, 147,758.98

All other Assets, 3,408,166.03

Gross Assets, \$12,518,692.40

Deduct items not admitted, 339,192.11

Admitted, \$12,179,500.29

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,382,500.00

Unearned Premiums, 5,109,833.58

All other Liabilities, 1,097,107.41

Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,000,000.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$12,179,500.29

NEW JERSEY FIDELITY & PLATE GLASS INS. CO.

Newark, New Jersey

Assets Dec. 31, 1923

Mortgage Loans, \$1,061,530.00

Stocks and Bonds, 1,029,895.72

Cash in Office and Bank, 238,255.15

Agents' Balances, 455,540.48

Interest and Rents, 41,205.07

All other Assets, 29,102.92

Gross Assets, \$2,765,860.04

Deduct items not admitted, 61,470.70

Admitted, \$2,704,389.34

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$773,357.74

Unearned Premiums, 1,190,277.13

All other Liabilities, 261,881.38

Cash Capital, 800,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 665,869.58

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$2,704,389.34

THE FIDELITY & CASUALTY CO. OF NEW YORK

32-36 Liberty St., 77-108 Cedar St., New York City

Assets Dec. 31, 1923

Real Estate, \$1,296,835.55

Mortgage Loans, 60,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 23,790,377.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 3,555,194.94

Agents' Balances, 3,655,578.87

Interest and Rents, 270,807.26

All other Assets, 613,472.50

Gross Assets, \$30,536,123.17

Deduct items not admitted, 1,480,931.28

Admitted, \$29,055,191.89

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,516,788.59

Unearned Premiums, 9,859,035.69

All other Liabilities, 1,577,824.52

Cash Capital, 4,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 4,901,514.79

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$29,055,191.89

MARYLAND CASUALTY CO.

Baltimore, Md.

Assets Dec. 31, 1923

Real Estate, \$2,790,539.57

Mortgage Loans, 1,371,680.00

Stocks and Bonds, 22,085,037.80

Cash in Office and Bank, 1,205,702.42

Agents' Balances, 4,342,160.23

Bills Receivable, 55,438.70

Interest and Rents, 371,078.23

All other Assets, 504,480.01

Gross Assets, \$32,075,848.01

Deduct items not admitted, 594,299.35

Admitted Assets, \$31,481,548.66

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,986,712.71

Unearned Premiums, 10,177,773.33

All other Liabilities, 2,103,941.18

Cash Capital, 5,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 5,900,120.04

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$32,081,549.28

SECURITY INSURANCE CO. OF NEW HAVEN

Assets Dec. 31, 1923

Real Estate, \$850,000.00

Mortgage Loans, 531,000.00

Collateral Loans, 15,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 6,035,412.57

Cash in Office and Bank, 302,254.35

Agents' Balances, 799,707.88

Bills Receivable, 124,415.99

Interest and Rents, 71,822.57

All other Assets, 29,044.42

Gross Assets, \$8,576,618.08

Deduct items not admitted, 69,094.65

Admitted, \$8,507,523.43

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$583,845.79

Unearned Premiums, 4,662,619.80

All other Liabilities, 170,651.23

Cash Capital, 1,600,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,993,906.48

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$8,507,523.43

ROOTH'S UNION & NATIONAL INSURANCE CO.

Birmingham, Scotland

Assets Dec. 31, 1923

Real Estate, \$187,847.63

Mortgage Loans, \$14,390.00

Stocks and Bonds, 6,799,682.42

Cash in Office and Bank, 371,107.88

Agents' Balances, 556,121.31

Interest and Rents, 110,718.57

All other Assets, 3,987.61

Gross Assets, \$8,087,975.19

Deduct items not admitted, 1,492,124.29

Admitted, \$6,595,850.90

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1923

Net Unpaid Losses, \$445,516.68

Unearned Premiums, 4,525,031.51

All other Liabilities, 274,000.00

Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,345,292.71

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$6,595,850.90

THE COLUMBIAN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Boston, Massachusetts

Assets Dec. 3

WANT COLUMN

Twenty-five words or less, one week, 25 cents; second week, 15 cents; each additional week, 10 cents.
Each word more than 250 One week, 1 cent and each additional week, 1/2 cent.

FOR SALE—Few barrels of good apples.
STIMMEN H. ABBOTT
Maplehurst
R. P. D. 1, Bethel, Maine
23714

See my new 1931 Paper Books. Out-stand Dyer's from 15c to 25c single roll. Red Room Paper ranging from 7 1/2c to 15c.

Cape Paper, 22c.
Tide Paper, 22c to 41.25.
Tapestry from 22c to \$1.50 single roll.
Hats and Polychrome Blends, also paper hangings, painting inside or outside jobs favored. Master patching. Estimates free. Call or telephone R. H. BROWN, Bethel, Me. 237

TO LET—A tenement. Inquire at the Office Office, Bethel, Me. 23711

FOUND—A ladies neck piece in Bethel village. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for advertising. R. S. Greenleaf, Bethel, Maine. 43

MAPLE SYRUP AND APPLES FOR SALE. Frank E. Stevens, R. P. D. 1, Bethel, Maine. 23732

NOTICE—There will be a masquerade ball at Grange Hall, Bethel, on Friday evening, April 4. Good music. Every one welcome.

HAY FOR SALE—A small lot in hays. Inquire of Herick & Park, 4311

FOUND—Valuable package on Newry road. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for notice. Dr. H. B. Thibault. 43

BOOK FOR HATCHING—Hatched Plymouth Rocks from one of the best strains I could buy. Several also sent a setting. H. B. Hastings. 4311

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IMPORTANCE OF GOOD COMPANY

With most of us it is only late in life that one gets to the importance of good company. The best thing never happens the straight grained word, and though the rest of the book is full of it, it is a wide black sea. For us, then, choose good companions. From infancy on, the things that we do are done with others, and that they see, hear and read, shape their lives for better or worse.

We cannot, it is true, keep them out of our work of all communications through companions and the printed word, but when choice lies with us let us get them to families contact with the best in life and literature. You know when you play The Youth's Companion to their hands that they are interesting impressions that will be a source of strength, wisdom and serenity of mind all through life. The ideals of The Companion thus into shape extract much that is offered to youth today. To contribute to the passing impression of readers is one thing; to keep in mind their abiding happiness is another. This has been the aim of The Companion for many generations.

The cost of this week is up more than that of other magazines, 47.50 per year. (But I know, Agent, Bethel, Me.)

BILLINGTON
Mrs. J. P. Billington has gone to Wakefield, Mass. to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett.

James Chapman came home from New York Saturday night, bringing back...

Frank Heath was moved to Bethel to the first of the Partridge family. George McArthur has had the "pink eye" and was not able to work during the summer.

SQUABLOWS ONATORY
VA PUBLIC BUSINESS
Squablos onatory, a new business, has been started in Bethel. The people who they need, money, a few hundred dollars.

Ignacio Gomez is going to work for the people who he has met all the people who he has met.

The Congress may be considered as a threat to the people who are not in the Congress. The people who are not in the Congress are the people who are not in the Congress.

GOOD ROADS

Michigan Girl's Essay in Safety Competition

Best essayist of more than 400,000 elementary school pupils, Theodora Poole, thirteen-year-old school girl of Pontiac, Michigan, now residing at Lansing, Michigan, is announced as winner of the second national safety essay contest conducted under the auspices of the Highway Education Board.

As a reward she receives a gold watch and a trip to Washington with all expenses paid, awards offered at the beginning of the contest for the essay winning first national honors. Her prizes are the gifts of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Poole's essay is as follows:
In a game each person has his part to play. Let us think of the task of making a nation safe as a game in which each has his place to fill and his part to do.

One might suppose we children have very little to do with the safety of our nation, but we are the coming generation and in our time shall uphold better and safer highways.

As in a game, there are rules to follow. These things we must do:
Always observe traffic before crossing a street.

When walking on a road keep to the left to meet on-coming vehicles. Learn automobile signals to know what a motorist means to do.

When alighting from a street car stand until sure of a safe way to the curb.

Help those in need.
Keep close to the curb when riding a bicycle, and give correct signals when turning.

Thus we shall spread our safety interest and information.
Now come the things we must not do, rules just as important if we are to play the safety game.

Don't hurry! Most accidents are caused by the desire to save a few seconds.

Never play in the streets nor dash before moving vehicles.
Never jaywalk.
Never steal rides.
Never make a blind dash across a thoroughfare.

Never stand in the street while waiting for a car—you are safer on the curb. One cannot always stand on his rights.

A child's part in this safety game is to keep from being "tagged" by an automobile. In the many automobile accidents in which the driver is blameless, a pitifully large number of children are victims.

Then there are always drivers who consider that responsibility ceases with the testing of the horn. Since we stand less firmly than a telephone pole we had better be out of their way.

Our code is a code of honor. No body can make us play fair. Our schools foster athletics to encourage clean effort. More important than ordinary athletics is the game in which we save the sorrow of accidents and loss of life. If I could feel that by joining this safety team I had saved one little child, I would consider my effort better spent than if I had won highest honors in athletics.

These things children can do. It is because of the splendid foresight of our elders that we are having these things laid before us while we are of an age when it is easy to learn. Much time, money, and thought are being spent to teach us safer ways. And if we become men and women who think safety and act safely we shall have a nation of happier and safer people.

"Always Be Careful!"

To Prevent Automobile Accidents by Low Walls

The Long Island railroad is building an approach to one of its grade crossings that, it hopes, will prevent automobile accidents. At the motorist approaches the crossing, low concrete walls force him to bear gradually to the right, then in order to get over the railway to make a sharp turn first to the left, then to the right again. As five miles an hour is as fast as the turns can be made, drivers will have time to look for on-coming trains. The cost of the low walls is trivial.

Accidents Prevented by Keeping Highways Open

To prevent accidents by keeping the roads open for two-way traffic, parking of vehicles of all descriptions is prohibited on all state highways in Massachusetts. Motorists are not permitted to stop at the foot of a hill, crest of a hill, or any portion of a curve. A fine of \$10 to \$25 is provided for each violation of the rule.

Simple Road in Norway.
A simple road of paved road 18 feet wide is to be constructed in Maine this summer. This is not wide enough for the traffic under present conditions. A 20-foot roadway is called for all summer.

Work for Auto Makers.
All the automobile makers who are reducing the price of their cars ought to get together and agree not to use any more of the cost of reducing the price.

WHY Magnetic Machine Is Used to Pack Nails.

It is reported that a Swiss inventor has produced a machine that by magnetism arranges nails in parallel layers ready for packing. It works on the principle that all linear iron objects in a magnetic field arrange themselves automatically in the direction of the lines of force. The machine can also be used to arrange wire rods, hairpins, knife blades, pens and fishhooks. The packages to be filled by the machine may be the standard type of nail keg, wooden boxes or paper cartons. It is probable that the ten-pound cardboard package will supersede the old-fashioned nail keg, because it costs less, weighs less and is more convenient.

The machine consists of two parts—parallelizing platform and a feed trough above it, which is fitted with a shaking mechanism. The articles to be packed are poured into the feed trough in lots of about 1,000 pounds, and, by the action of the shaking mechanism, are moved to the front of the trough, whence they drop into the parallelizing platform. That consists of a tray, each side of which forms one pole of an electromagnet. The articles as they fall are drawn into the direction of the magnetic lines of force, which adjust them at once in parallel lines.

Book Tells How to Break Monte Carlo

Edwin Roberts Beresford, brother of Lord Dunsley, is the author of a book of 60 pages, only one-third of an inch thick. The price is 21 shillings, which is at the rate of 63 shillings an inch.

Its title is "The Future of Monte Carlo. A Method Explaining Whereby the Bank Must Fail."

"The intention," he writes, "is not to put forward a new system in opposition to the bank, but to invert all that has gone before in so far as to compel the bank to take the place of the system manager."

He showed how a number of players working in concert, may force the bank to play one of the famous systems, such as that devised by Labouchere.

The Beresford system, he declares, may be played by people with as little as £30 or £40 apiece, for "with so small a reserve many would lose their all! A few, however, would probably win heavily. One solitary winner could easily win an amount in excess of the losses of all the others." He claims that if every one followed the Beresford method Monte Carlo would be out of business in six months.

Hon. S. R. Beresford is manager of two shipping associations and a famous swimmer and trap shooter. He lives in New York and London and has played cricket for Middlesex.—London Times.

Why Soiled Clothing Harms

The skin acts as a heat regulating apparatus through evaporation of perspiration, and thus reduces body heat. It also serves in some measure to eliminate the wastes of the body in the form of secretions. Perspiration and secretions are absorbed by clothing, and bits of dead skin are continually being rubbed off, to find their way into the meshes of the fabric. After a time the limit of absorption by the clothing is reached; its pores become clogged. The clothing begins to have a damp, sticky, oily feeling. If it has been starched the garment becomes flaky. In this condition if clothing is not actually dirty it is at least unwholesome to wear. It prevents proper absorption and evaporation of moisture from the body and thus actually increases its warmth in summer and its cold in winter. It is a matter of common experience to mothers and nurses that the fretting of a small child may sometimes be due to clothing that has become damp and sticky with sweat. A change to clean garments gives the needed relief by furnishing a fresh absorbing surface.

Typewriter Vs. Linotype

The typewriter record for speed maintained for an hour is 131 words a minute, which amounts to 7,950 words per hour. On linotype machines, except in newspaper work, the amount would be anywhere between 3,500 and 4,000 words per hour, but less on look work, or work involving foreign languages. The word average might be estimated at 120 to 300 words per hour.

Origin of "Baker's Dozen"

The reason 13 is called a "baker's dozen" is as follows: In medieval times bakers were kept and the right of the law, and severe penalties were provided for any short-coming in weight or measure. In order to avoid any possibility of falling below the standard, the bakers got into the way of allowing an extra loaf with every dozen.

Why Grains in Wood Vary

The grain in wood depends upon the width and density of the rings formed in the growth of the tree. Where the rings are wide the wood is known as soft. Grains of wood are of varying degrees of hardness, and are of varying degrees of softness.

How Many Miles of Rivers?

It is estimated that there are on the continent of the United States about 2,000 miles of navigable rivers, 2,500 miles of roads, and thousands of miles of regularly navigated waterways. There are also many more than 2,000 miles of canals, bays and harbors.

REPAIR NOW SHADE AND ORNAMENTAL TREES INJURED BY STORM

The extensive injury and destruction of trees of all kinds during the recent storm has brought many inquiries to the United States Department of Agriculture regarding the proper methods to be followed in repairing the damage done. The following suggestions are made by the department.

The first thing that should be done is to remove such large broken branches as are now, or may become, a menace to life and property; this is usually best done by cutting at the point where broken. Attention should then be given to injuries to the main trunk. If limbs have been split, or partially split, from the main trunk, all splintered wood about the wound should be removed with a sharp gouge and mallet, if not so situated that it can be saved off. The scar should be smoothed in the manner indicated in Farmers' Bulletin 1178, "Tree Surgery," and treated as an open cavity, or as a large surface wound as the case may necessitate.

Attention should next be given to repairing the injuries on the larger branches in a similar manner, and last of all to the smaller branches. Sometimes when a limb is broken away the tree is so weakened at the point of breakage that it may again break in a severe wind, or to obviate this the top may be pruned back more or less severely. In case of split crotches, the advice given in Farmers' Bulletin 1178 should be followed regarding the general treatment, including bolting through and above the crack.

In cases of estates where a great amount of injury has occurred, and only for repairing the damage, the final cutting of long stumps can be conveniently a comparatively small force is available left for a time, but wounds or breaks on the main trunk, or close to it, should be attended to promptly.

It is not necessary to fill cavities. It is better in most cases to leave them open. All final cuts should be immediately covered with some good antiseptic and waterproof paint. It will not be necessary to especially treat the ends of long stumps that are to be removed close to the trunk later in the season.

In no part of repair work should climbing spurs be used on a tree. Spur marks cause injuries through which it is possible for disease and decay germs to enter and cause damage, in some cases more severe than would have developed from the original simple break. For details of treatment of all scars and wounds send for a copy of Farmers' Bulletin 1178, which can be obtained from the Office of publications, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

STREET CARS MOST RELIABLE

Something new in the battle between street cars and auto buses has developed in Emporia, Kansas, says the Blount City News, Daily Tribune. In recent years the fact that the electric railway company of Emporia "has offered to pay the city for tearing up its rails and repairing the pavement, if the city will agree to the substitution of bus service for street car service."

Emporia is probably the first city in the United States to be faced with making the decision for or against buses or street cars. In the meantime Manchester, England, after thorough consideration of the subject, has decided through a committee appointed by the municipal government, that street car transportation is more practical than any other system available at the present time.

Points made in the report which is held to apply to conditions in any city, give the street cars credit for carrying more passengers, keeping them all under cover, better average speed over rough roads, less cost and greater reliability. A street car will render as much service to the public, it is held, as three or four buses. In fog or deep snow the bus is held up while the street car goes on, says the report. Expense alone would prevent bus lines over being able to give adequate service to the public during the time of such traffic. Street cars are held to carry passengers farther at the same fare, an advantage to users and taxpayers, it is decided.

As evidence of this, witnesses the New York and Chicago bus lines, the largest in this country, which have a ten-cent fare for much shorter hauls than can be secured on street railways, highways or elevated lines in the same cities.

William J. Reed, president of the American Electric Railway Association, points out that the average fare of American street railways is 7.14 cents with a tendency toward lower fares.

Buses bear up street paid for at public expense, while electric buses by their own tracks and street and pay taxes on the same. It is probable that few cities will be ready to junk their electric service lines without further thought on the subject and some guarantee for upkeep of their street.

SONNETS FROM THE HILLS OR THE WANDERING SPIRIT

My dwelling house sits by the side of road,
And it faces a sloping hill
Where I love to watch the wavering grass
When the wind blows soft and still.
At the foot of the hill, there is a brook
That is always murmuring.
Sometimes it seems to be words it says
And sometimes it seems to sing!

By the banks of the brook there are
chokeberry bushes
And alders that grow up high,
That screen the brook from the wide
State road
And the careless passers by,
Who never know of the homes that are
built
High up in the trees' lip top
Where the breezes are cool among the
leaves,
When the sun is scorching hot.

Yes, I love you, my sweet little brook,
With your waters of wonderful hue,
For forget-me-not, blue flag and violets
All blend their color with you!
And I love the songs of the birds
At evening when all is still;
The catbird, the robin and cuckoo,
And sometimes the whippoorwill.

And up in the wavering grassland
The hoholink sings all the day
With his notes of sweetness like honey,
O'er the hillside he holds his sway.

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2. It will:
 1. Bring you every month the "Maine Motorist"—a monthly publication for the improvement of motoring conditions—the only publication in Maine for the benefit of automobile owner.
 2. Better roads in your district with a special road committee working for the betterment of roads all over the state.
 3. Punish automobile thieves. The M. A. A. is a terror to automobile thieves and will pursue them to the limit.
 4. Free legal advice that will protect your rights as a motorist in the ownership and operation of your car. An emergency legal service all over the state.
 5. Standard road service.
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 7. What does the dollar buy for you? (a) Time taken by garage men to reach your car.
 - (b) THIRTY MINUTES' service.
 8. Aid in making traffic laws and ordinances and working for improvements when necessary.
 9. Defeat unfair legislation and amendments.
 10. Assist in protecting you against excessive taxation.
 11. Post direction and danger signs.
 12. Insure reciprocal castles for you when touring, by our affiliation with, and make you a member of the National Motorists' Association, America's great automobile organization.
 13. Assist in compiling complete road information, and keep it accurately re-vised.
 14. Furnish you with maps and guide books for touring.
 15. Furnish you with an emblem for your car that will be worth your dues for the year, from the courtesies you will receive from other motorists and garage men.

R. E. SHAW, Agent, South Paris, Maine
H. N. BRAGDON for Bethel

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MRS. CALY

Born June 29, 1891.
Hester A. Bartlett, Maine, sixty daughter of the late Bartlett.
In her young years the wife of Caly this union four children, Sherman Tibbets and a greater part of her life spent in various parts of the world.
She leaves, her family, five brothers and Benjamin Bartlett of Norway; two sons of Upton and Norway. One brother of Norway, and Lombard of Hartford, years ago.

Mrs. Cummings greater part of her life and even her help and comfort friends could do with her as often allow them. Although times were intense complaint was lips.

She was a valued W. R. C., and was a devoted home maker and tender mother, her from the friends or cherish the memory lived for others kindnesses" could each day of her. of kindness and help ten by her as accomplished, but to mountain peaks of the beautiful life so loved in life, grant masses by her surround her last rest the family, with the brothers, Will and sister, Mrs. Fred Lee present at the service late home, Monday, D. Oliver speaking increased once.

Riley's beautiful in the best way our

"I cannot say, not that she is dead—she is with a cheery smile, hand, she has wandered into Add left us dreaming. It needs must be, since And you—O you, who For the old time steps, turn,—

Think of her faring off In the love of There a Think of her as the She is not dead—she

MISS FLORENCE REPAIR

The citizens of Bethel privileged to hear Miss Florence will be pleased to know speak in the assembly Academy on Monday.

Miss Hale comes to Bethel which has been years to secure her as a speaker made would not only in Maine the United States.

It is hoped that all in education will be hearing this outstanding speaker. Those who have can secure every find a pleasant and profitable experience.

The grammar school will under Miss Whitehead. Don't forget the time 8 o'clock, Monday evening, the Bethel Academy.

The Ladies' Club will by Mrs. Hancum. The oral member of the Bethel Club.

One of the largest shipped into this part of Lewiston recently. "The city of the Chicago, Mr. Paul R. M. and was the cause, enough to stop. The car was a make wheel had to be saw it to pass under the St. This car is over 50 wide and 15 feet high and passed.